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CLEARING JUDICIAL

PETITION UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 2254 FOR WRIT OF
HABEAS CORPUS BY A PERSON IN STATE CUSTODY

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| United States District Court | | District: <u>Eastern District of Wisconsin</u> |
| Name (under which you were convicted): <u>Michael Brown</u> | | Docket or Case No.: <u>18CF347, 18CF371</u> |
| Place of Confinement: <u>Redgranite Correctional Institution</u> | | Prisoner No.: <u>426179</u> |
| Petitioner (include the name under which you were convicted) <u>Michael Brown</u> | | Respondent (authorized person having custody of petitioner) <u>Warden Daniel Cromwell</u> |
| The Attorney General of the State of: <u>Wisconsin Joshua Kaul</u> | | |

PETITION

1. (a) Name and location of court that entered the judgment of conviction you are challenging:

Walworth County

- (b) Criminal docket or case number (if you know): 18CF347, 18CF371

2. (a) Date of the judgment of conviction (if you know): Filed 1-17-2019

- (b) Date of sentencing: 1-10-2019

3. Length of sentence: 22 years

4. In this case, were you convicted on more than one count or of more than one crime? ☒ Yes ☐ No

5. Identify all crimes of which you were convicted and sentenced in this case:

939.05 (PTAC) Robbery of a Financial Institution
939.32 (Attempt) Escape - Criminal Arrest

6. (a) What was your plea? (Check one)

☐ (1) Not guilty ☐ (3) Nolo contendere (no contest)
☒ (2) Guilty ☐ (4) Insanity plea

(b) If you entered a guilty plea to one count or charge and a not guilty plea to another count or charge, what did you plead guilty to and what did you plead not guilty to? _____

(c) If you went to trial, what kind of trial did you have? (Check one)

☐ Jury ☐ Judge only

7. Did you testify at a pretrial hearing, trial, or a post-trial hearing?

☐ Yes ☒ No

8. Did you appeal from the judgment of conviction?

☒ Yes ☐ No

9. If you did appeal, answer the following:

(a) Name of court: Court of Appeals District II

(b) Docket or case number (if you know): 2020AP552-CR & 2020AP553-CR

(c) Result: Denied

(d) Date of result (if you know): _____

(e) Citation to the case (if you know): _____

(f) Grounds raised: My defense counsel James B Duquette (Court appointed counsel) attached the wrong jury instructions to the plea questionnaire. The Judge did not independently explain the nature of the offense either. At a evidentiary hearing Attorney Duquette testified that he never discussed the elements of the offense in terms that the victim was indeed a Financial Institution.

(g) Did you seek further review by a higher state court? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, answer the following:

(1) Name of court: State of Wisconsin Supreme Court

(2) Docket or case number (if you know): 2020AP552-CR & 2020AP553-CR

(3) Result: Denied

(4) Date of result (if you know): _____

(5) Citation to the case (if you know): _____

(6) Grounds raised: Defense Counsel attached incorrect jury instruction to the plea questionnaire. The presiding Judge admitted that the plea colloquy was defective and did not himself explain the nature of the offense.

(h) Did you file a petition for certiorari in the United States Supreme Court? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, answer the following:

(1) Docket or case number (if you know): _____

(2) Result: _____

(3) Date of result (if you know): _____

(4) Citation to the case (if you know): _____

10. Other than the direct appeals listed above, have you previously filed any other petitions, applications, or motions concerning this judgment of conviction in any state court? ☐ Yes ☒ No

11. If your answer to Question 10 was "Yes," give the following information:

(a) (1) Name of court: _____

(2) Docket or case number (if you know): _____

(3) Date of filing (if you know): _____

(4) Nature of the proceeding: _____

(5) Grounds raised: _____

(6) Did you receive a hearing where evidence was given on your petition, application, or motion?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(7) Result: _____

(8) Date of result (if you know): _____

(b) If you filed any second petition, application, or motion, give the same information:

(1) Name of court: _____

(2) Docket or case number (if you know): _____

(3) Date of filing (if you know): _____

(4) Nature of the proceeding: _____

(5) Grounds raised: _____

(6) Did you receive a hearing where evidence was given on your petition, application, or motion?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(7) Result: _____

(8) Date of result (if you know): _____

(c) If you filed any third petition, application, or motion, give the same information:

(1) Name of court: _____

(2) Docket or case number (if you know): _____

(3) Date of filing (if you know): _____

(4) Nature of the proceeding: _____

(5) Grounds raised: _____

(6) Did you receive a hearing where evidence was given on your petition, application, or motion?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(7) Result: _____

(8) Date of result (if you know): _____

(d) Did you appeal to the highest state court having jurisdiction over the action taken on your petition, application, or motion?

(1) First petition: ☒ Yes ☐ No

(2) Second petition: ☒ Yes ☐ No

(3) Third petition: ☒ Yes ☐ No

(e) If you did not appeal to the highest state court having jurisdiction, explain why you did not:

12. For this petition, state every ground on which you claim that you are being held in violation of the Constitution, laws, or treaties of the United States. Attach additional pages if you have more than four grounds. State the facts supporting each ground. Any legal arguments must be submitted in a separate memorandum.

CAUTION: To proceed in the federal court, you must ordinarily first exhaust (use up) your available state-court remedies on each ground on which you request action by the federal court. Also, if you fail to set forth all the grounds in this petition, you may be barred from presenting additional grounds at a later date.

GROUND ONE: Defense Counsel attached wrong jury instruction to plea questionnaire. The Judge also did not explain elements of the offense.

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

Defense Counsel James B. Duquette attached the wrong jury instruction to the plea questionnaire. He attached Wis. JI-Criminal 1479, which is the instruction for armed robbery contrary to § 943.32(1)(a), states - robbery of a financial institution. The Presiding Judge also did not explain the nature of the offense or go over the elements of the offense.

(b) If you did not exhaust your state remedies on Ground One, explain why:

(c) **Direct Appeal of Ground One:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why: _____

(d) **Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

(1) Did you raise this issue through a post-conviction motion or petition for habeas corpus in a state trial court?

☒ Yes ☐ No

(2) If your answer to Question (d)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition: Appeal

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed: State of Wisconsin
Court of Appeals District II

Docket or case number (if you know): 2020AP552-CR & 2020AP553-CR

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): Denied

(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion or petition? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion or petition? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(5) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(6) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: State of Wisconsin
Supreme Court

Docket or case number (if you know): 2020AP552-CR & 2020AP553-CR

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): _____

(7) If your answer to Question (d)(4) or Question (d)(5) is "No," explain why you did not raise this issue:

(e) **Other Remedies:** Describe any other procedures (such as habeas corpus, administrative remedies, etc.) that you have used to exhaust your state remedies on Ground One:

Petition to the Governor and
Senator Lena Taylor

GROUND TWO:

Guilty plea was not entered freely, voluntarily,
and intelligently entered as defense counsel error in jury instruction

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

Under oath court appointed counsel James B. Duquette
"I don't believe or recall that I ever told Mr. Brown in so
many words that the victim must be a financial institution
as an element of the offense!" followed by "I was unaware
that that was an independent element of the offense. I
didn't have the correct jury instruction!" So how could a plea
be entered freely, voluntarily, and intelligently if the
defense counsel never discussed any of it with his client?

(b) If you did not exhaust your state remedies on Ground Two, explain why:

(c) **Direct Appeal of Ground Two:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue?



Yes



No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why:

(d) **Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

(1) Did you raise this issue through a post-conviction motion or petition for habeas corpus in a state trial court?

☐ Yes

☐ No

(2) If your answer to Question (d)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition:

Appeal

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed:

State of
Wisconsin Court of Appeals

Docket or case number (if you know):

2020 AP 552-CR & 2020 AP 553-CR

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available):

Denied

(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion or petition?

☐ Yes

☒ No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion or petition?

☒ Yes

☐ No

(5) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal?

☒ Yes

☐ No

(6) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed:

State of Wisconsin

Supreme Court

Docket or case number (if you know):

2020 AP552-CR & 2020 AP553-CR

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available):

Denied

(7) If your answer to Question (d)(4) or Question (d)(5) is "No," explain why you did not raise this issue:

(e) **Other Remedies:** Describe any other procedures (such as habeas corpus, administrative remedies, etc.) that you have used to exhaust your state remedies on Ground Two:

Petition to the Governor,
Senator Lena Taylor.

GROUND THREE:

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

(b) If you did not exhaust your state remedies on Ground Three, explain why: _____

(c) **Direct Appeal of Ground Three:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why: _____

(d) **Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

(1) Did you raise this issue through a post-conviction motion or petition for habeas corpus in a state trial court?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(2) If your answer to Question (d)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition: _____

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed: _____

Docket or case number (if you know): _____

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): _____

(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion or petition?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion or petition?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(5) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(6) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: _____

Docket or case number (if you know): _____

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): _____

(7) If your answer to Question (d)(4) or Question (d)(5) is "No," explain why you did not raise this issue:

(e) **Other Remedies:** Describe any other procedures (such as habeas corpus, administrative remedies, etc.) that you have used to exhaust your state remedies on Ground Three:

GROUND FOUR:

(a) Supporting facts (Do not argue or cite law. Just state the specific facts that support your claim.):

(b) If you did not exhaust your state remedies on Ground Four, explain why:

(c) **Direct Appeal of Ground Four:**

(1) If you appealed from the judgment of conviction, did you raise this issue? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(2) If you did not raise this issue in your direct appeal, explain why:

(d) **Post-Conviction Proceedings:**

(1) Did you raise this issue through a post-conviction motion or petition for habeas corpus in a state trial court?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(2) If your answer to Question (d)(1) is "Yes," state:

Type of motion or petition:

Name and location of the court where the motion or petition was filed: _____

Docket or case number (if you know): _____

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): _____

(3) Did you receive a hearing on your motion or petition? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(4) Did you appeal from the denial of your motion or petition? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(5) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," did you raise this issue in the appeal? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(6) If your answer to Question (d)(4) is "Yes," state:

Name and location of the court where the appeal was filed: _____

Docket or case number (if you know): _____

Date of the court's decision: _____

Result (attach a copy of the court's opinion or order, if available): _____

(7) If your answer to Question (d)(4) or Question (d)(5) is "No," explain why you did not raise this issue:

(e) **Other Remedies:** Describe any other procedures (such as habeas corpus, administrative remedies, etc.) that you have used to exhaust your state remedies on Ground Four: _____

13. Please answer these additional questions about the petition you are filing:

- (a) Have all grounds for relief that you have raised in this petition been presented to the highest state court having jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If your answer is "No," state which grounds have not been so presented and give your reason(s) for not presenting them:

- (b) Is there any ground in this petition that has not been presented in some state or federal court? If so, which ground or grounds have not been presented, and state your reasons for not presenting them:

14. Have you previously filed any type of petition, application, or motion in a federal court regarding the conviction that you challenge in this petition? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," state the name and location of the court, the docket or case number, the type of proceeding, the issues raised, the date of the court's decision, and the result for each petition, application, or motion filed. Attach a copy of any court opinion or order, if available.

15. Do you have any petition or appeal now pending (filed and not decided yet) in any court, either state or federal, for the judgment you are challenging? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," state the name and location of the court, the docket or case number, the type of proceeding, and the issues raised.

16. Give the name and address, if you know, of each attorney who represented you in the following stages of the judgment you are challenging:

- (a) At preliminary hearing: James B. Duquette
23 N. Wisconsin St. P.O. Box 470 Elkhorn, WI 53121
- (b) At arraignment and plea: James B. Duquette
- (c) At trial: James B. Duquette
- (d) At sentencing: James B. Duquette
- (e) On appeal: Jeffrey Jensen
111 E. Wisconsin Ave., Suite 1925 Milwaukee, WI 53202-4825
- (f) In any post-conviction proceeding: Jeffrey Jensen
- (g) On appeal from any ruling against you in a post-conviction proceeding: Jeffrey Jensen

17. Do you have any future sentence to serve after you complete the sentence for the judgment that you are challenging? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(a) If so, give name and location of court that imposed the other sentence you will serve in the future:

(b) Give the date the other sentence was imposed:

(c) Give the length of the other sentence:

(d) Have you filed, or do you plan to file, any petition that challenges the judgment or sentence to be served in the future? ☐ Yes ☐ No

18. TIMELINESS OF PETITION: If your judgment of conviction became final over one year ago, you must explain why the one-year statute of limitations as contained in 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d) does not bar your petition.*

- (2) The time during which a properly filed application for State post-conviction or other collateral review with respect to the pertinent judgment or claim is pending shall not be counted toward any period of limitation under this subsection.

Therefore, petitioner asks that the Court grant the following relief: _____

or any other relief to which petitioner may be entitled.

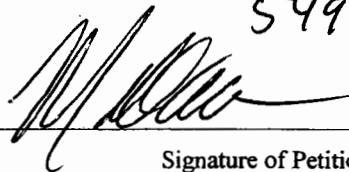
Signature of Attorney (if any)

I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus was placed in the prison mailing system on _____ (month, date, year).

Executed (signed) on

8-1-22 (date).

Michael Brown
#426179
Redgranite Correctional Inst.
P.O. Box 925 Redgranite, WI
54970



Signature of Petitioner

If the person signing is not petitioner, state relationship to petitioner and explain why petitioner is not signing this petition.